A DISCOURSE ON HIS VISIT TO PATMOS.

He Tells How Se Left Egypt and Voyaging Past Rhodes Reached the Grecian Archipelago and Visited the Island of St. John's Revelation.

Good-Bye to Egypt.

The doctor took two texts: Acts xxi 3. "When we had discovered Cyprus we left it on the left hand;" and Revelation i, 9, "I, John, was in the isle that is

Good-bye, Egypt! This sermon finds us on the steamer Minerva in the Grecian archipelago, the islands of the New Testament, and islands Paulinian and Johannian in their reminiscence. What Bradshaw's directory is to travelers in Europe, and what the railroad guide is to travelers in America, the Book of the Acts in the Bible is to voyagers in the Grecian, or as I shall call it, the Gospel archipelago. The Bible geography of that region is accurate without a shadow of mistake. We are sailing this morning on the same waters that Paul, but in the opposite direction to that which Paul voyaged. He was sailing southward and we northward. With him it was Ephesus, Coos, Rhodes, Cyprus. With us it is reversed, and it is Cyprus, Rhodes, Coos, Ephesus. There is no book in the world so accurate as the Divine Book.

My text says that Paul left Cyprus on the left; we, going in an opposite di-rection, leave it on the right. On our ship Minerva were only two or three passengers besides our party, so we had plenty of room to walk on deck, and oh, what a night was Christmas night of 1889 in that Grecian archipelago-islands of light above, islands of beauty beneath! It is a royal family of islands, this Grecian archipelago-the crown of the world's scenery set with sapphire and emerald topaz and chrysoprasus, and ablaze with a glory that seems let down cut of celestial landscapes. God evidently made up His mind that just here He would demonstrate the utmost that can be done with islands for the beautification of carthly scenery.

The steamer had stopped during the

night, and in the morning the ship was as quiet as this floor, when we hastened up to the deck and found that we had chored off the island of Cyprus. boat which the natives rowed standing up, as is the custom, instead of sitting down, as when we row, we were soon landed on the streets where Paul and Barnabas walked and preached. Yea, when at Antioch, Paul and Barnabas got into a fight—as ministers sometimes did, and sometimes do, for they all have imperfections enough to anchor them to this world till their work is done, I saywhen, because of that bitter controversy, Paul and Barnabas parted, Barnabas came back here to Cyprus, which was his birthplace. Island, wonderful for history! It has been the prize sometimes won by Persia, by Greece, by Egypt, by the Saracens, by the Crusaders, and last of all, not by sword but by pen, and that the pen of the keenest diplomatist of the century, Lord Beaconsfield, who, under a lease which was as good as a purchase, set Cyprus among the jewels of Victoria's crown.

We went out into the excavations from which Di Cesnola has enriched our American museums with antiquities, and with no better weapon than our foot we stirred up the ground deep enough to get forced abstinence, or having no food exatear bottle in which some mourner copt that at which his appetite revolted, a tear bottle in which some mourner shed his tears thousands of years ago, and a lamp which before Christ was born lighted the feet of some poor pilgrim on his way. That island of Cyprus has enough to set an antiquarian wild. The most of shall hunger no more." Scarcity of its glory is the glory of the past, and the typhoid fevers that sweep its coast, and tongue of St. John's thirst leads them to the clouds of locusts that often blacken admire Heaven as he says, "They shall its skies (though \$200,000 were expend- thirst no more." ed by the British Empire in one year St. John hears the waves of the sea be in the room, and although those in for the extirpation of these noxious in-

But when the islands of the sea come to God, Cyprus will come with them, and the agricultural and commercial opulence which adorned it in ages past will be eclipsed by the agricultural and commercial and religious triumphs of the ages to come. Why is the world so stupid that it cannot see that nations are prospered in temporal things in proportion as they are prospered in religious things? Godliness is profitable not only for individuals, but for nations. Questions of tariff, questions of silver bill, questions of republic or monarchy have not so much to do with a nation's poral welfare as questions of religion. Give Cyprus to Christ, give England to Christ, give America to Christ, give the all a prosperity unlimited. Why is

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Blindfold me and lead me into any city of the earth so that I cannot see a street or a warehouse or a home, and then lead me into the churches and then remove the bandage from my eyes, and I will tell you from what I see inside the consecrated walls, having seen nothing outside, what is that city's merchandise, its literature, its schools, its printing presses, its government, its homes, its arts, its sciences, its prosperity or its depression, and ignorance and pauperism and outlawry. The altar of God in the church is the high water mark of the world's happiness. The Christian religion triumphant, all other interests triumphant. The Christian religion low down, all other interests low down. So I though on the evening of that day we stepped from the filthy streets of Larnaca. Cyprus, onto the boat that took us back to the steamer Minerva, which had already begun to paw the waves like a courser impatient to be gone, and then we moved on and up among the islands of this Gospel archipelago.

Night came down on land and sea and the voyage became to me more and more suggestive and solemn. If you are pacing it alone a ship's deck in the darkness and at sea is a weird place, and an active imagination may conjure up al-most any shape be will, and it shall walk the sea to confront him by the smoke-stack or meet him under the captain's bridge. But here I was alone on ship's deck in the Gospel archipelago, and do you wonder that the sea was populous with the past and that down the ratifies Bible memorier descended? Our friends

"Captain," I said, "when will we arrive at the Island of Rhodes?" Looking out from under his glassed cap, he re-sponded in sepulchral voice, "About midnight." Though it would be keeping

unreasonable hours, I concluded to stay on deck, for I must see Rhodes, one of the islands associated with the name of the greatest missionary the world ever saw or ever will see. Paul landed there, and that was enough to make it famous while the world stands, and famous in Heaven when the world has become a charred wreck.

This island has had a wonderful history. With 6,000 Knights of St. John, it at one time stood out against 200,000 warriors under "Solvman the Magnifi-The city had 3,000 statues, and a statue to Apollo called Colossus, which has always since been considered one of the seven wonders of the world. It was twelve years in building and was seventy cubits high, and had a winding stairs to the top. It stood fifty-six years, and then was prostrated by an earthquake. After lying in ruins for 900 years, it was pur-chased to be converted to other purposes, and the metal, weighing 720,000 peunds, was put on 900 camels and carried away. We were not permitted to go ashore, but the lights all up and down the hills show where the city stands and nine boats come out to take freight and to bring three passengers. Yet all the thousands of years of its history are eclipsed by the few hours or days that Paul stopped there.

But there is one island that I longed to see more than any other. I can afford to miss the princes among the islands, but I must see the king of the archipelago. The one I longed to see is not many miles in circumference as Cyprus or Crete or Paros or Naxos or Scio or Mitylene, but I had rather, in this sail through the Grecian archipelago, see that than all the others; for more of the glories of Heaven landed there than on all the islands and continents since the world stood. As we come toward it I feel my pulses quicken. "I, John, was on the island that is called Patmos." It is a pile of rocks twenty-eight miles in circumference. A few cypresses and inferior olives pump a living out of the earth, and one palm tree spreads its foliage. But the barrenness and gloom and loneliness of the island made it a prison for the banished evangelist.

Domitian could not stand his ministry,

and one day, under armed guard, that minister of the Gospel stepped from a tossing boat to these dismal rocks and walked up to the dismal cavern that was to be his home and the place where should pass before him all the conflicts of coming time and all the raptures of a coming eternity. Is it not remarkable that nearly all the great revelations of music and poetry and religion have been made to men in banishment—Homer and Milton banished into blindness; Beethoven banished into deafness; Dante writing his "Divina Comedia" during nine-teen years of banishment from his native land; Victor Hugo writing his "Les Mis erables" exiled from home and country on the island of Guernsey, and the bright est visions of the future have been given to those who by sickness or sorrow were exiled from the outer world into rooms of suffering. Only those who have been imprisoned by very hard surroundings have had great revelations made to them.

So Patmos, wild, chill, and bleak and terrible was the best island in all the archipelago, the best place in all the earth for divine revelations. Before a panorama can be successfully seen, the room in which you sit must be darkened and in the presence of John was to pass such a panorama as no man ever before saw or ever will see in this world, and hence the gloom of his surroundings was a help rather than a hindrance. All the surroundings of the place affected St. John's imagery when he speaks of Heaven. St. John, hungry from enthinks of Heaven; and as the famished man is apt to dream of bountiful tables covered with luxuries, so St. John says of the inhabitants of Heaven, "They

sects, yet failing to do their work), and each wave has a voice, and all the waves the frequent change of governmental together make a chorus, and they remasters hinder prosperity. of Heaven, and he says, "They are like voice of many waters." One day, as he looked off upon the sea, the waters were very smooth, as it is to-day while we sail them in the Minerva, and they were like glass, and the sunlight seemed to set them on fire, and there was a mingling of white light and intense flame, and as St. John looked out from his cavern home upon that brilliant sea he though of the splendors of Heaven and describes them "As a sea of glass mingled with fire." Yes, seated in the dark cavern of Patmos, though homesick and hungry and loaded with Domitian's anathemas. St. John was the most fortunate man on earth because of the panorama that passed before the mouth

> and seven stars in His right hand, candlesticks and stars meaning light held up and light scattered. And there passes a throne and Christ on it, and the seals broken, and the woes sounded, and a dragon slain, and seven last plagues swoop, and seven vials are poured out, and the vision vanishes. And we halt a moment to rest from the exciting spec tacle. Again the panorama moves before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile sees a great city representing all abominations, Babylon towered, palaced, templed, fountained, foliaged, sculptured, hanging gardens, suddenly going crash! crash! and the pipers cease to pipe, and the trumpets cease to trumpet, and the dust, and the smoke, and the horror hil the canvas, while from above and beneath are voices announcing, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen!" And we halt again to rest from the spec-

Again the panorama passes before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile sees a mounted Christ, on a snow white charger leading forth the cavalry of Heaven, the long line of white chargers galloping through the scene, the clat-tering of hoofs, the clinking of bridal bits, and the flash of spears, all the earth conquered and all Heaven in Dox-ology. And we halt again and rest from the spectacle. Again the panorama passes before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile sees great thrones lifted, thrones of martyrs, thrones of aposties, thrones of prophets, thrones of patri-archs, and a throne higher than all on which Jesus sits, and ponderous books are opened, their leaves turned over, rethrones of prophets, thrones of patriarchs, and a throne higher than all on which Jesus sits, and ponderous books are opened, their leaves turned over, revealing the names of all that have ever lived, the good and the bad, the renowned and the humble, the mighty and the weak, and at the turn of every leaf the universe is in rapture and fright, and the hands.—New York Herald.

sea empties its sarcophagus of all the dead of the sunken shipping, and the earth gives way, and the Heavens vanish. Again we rest a moment from

the spectacle.

The panorama moves on before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile beholds a city of gold, and a river more beautiful than the Rhine or the Hudson rolls through it, and fruit trees bend their burdens on either bank, and all is surrounded by walls in which the upholstery of autumnal forests, and the sunrises and sunsets of all the ages, and the glory of burning worlds seem to be commingled. And the inhabitants never breath a sigh, or utter a groan, or dis-cuss a difference, or frown a dislike, or weep a tear. The fashion they wear is pure white, and their foreheads are encircled by garlands, and they who were old are young, and they who were bereft are reunited. And as the last figure of that panorama rolled out of sight I think that John must have fallen back into his cavern nerveless and exhausted. Too much was it for naked eye to look at. Too much was it for human strength to experience.

My friends, I would not wonder if you should have a very similar vision after awhile. You will be through with this world, its cares and fatigues and struggles, and if you have served the Lord and have done the best you could, I should not wonder if your dying bed were a Patmos. It often has been so. I was reading of a dying boy who, while the family stood around sorrowfully, expecting each breath would be the last, cried: "Open the gates! Open the gates! Happy! Happy! Happy!" John Owen, in his last hour, said to his attendant, "Oh, brother Payne! the long-wished for day has come at last!" Rutherford, in the closing moment of his life, cried out: "I shall shine, I shall see him as he is and all the fair company with him, and shall have my large share. I have gotten the victory. Christ is holding forth His arms to embrace me. Now I feel! Now I enjoy! Now I rejoice! I feed on manna. I have angels' food. My eyes will see my Redeemer. Glory, glory dwelleth in Immanuel's land." Yes, dwelleth in Immanuel's land." Yes, 10,060 times in the history of the world

has the dying bed been made a Patmos. You see the time will come when you will, oh, child of God, te exiled to your last sickness as much as John was ex-iled to Patmos. You will go into your room not to come out again, for God is going to do something better and grander and happier for you than He has ever yet done! There will be such visions let down to your pillow as God gives no man If he is ever to return to this tame world. The apparent feeling of uneasiness and restlessness at the time of the Christian's departure, the physicians say, is caused by no real distress. It is an unconscious and involuntary movement, and I think in many cases it is the vision of heavenly gladness too great for mortal endurance It is only Heaven breaking in on the de

parting spirit. You see your work will be done and the time for your departure will be at hand, and there will be wings over you and wings under you, and songs let loose on the air, and your old father and mother gone for years will descend into you put away for the last sleep years ago will be at your side, and their kiss will be on your foreheads, and you will see gardens in full bloom, and the swinging open of shining gates, and will hear voices long ago hushed.

In many a Christian departure that you have known and I have known there was in the phraseology of the departing ones something that indicated the reappearance of those long deceased. It is no delirium, no delusion, but a supernal fact. Your glorified loved ones will hear that you are about to come, and they will say in Heaven: "May I go down to show that soul the wav up? May I be the celestial May I wait for that soul at the edge of the pillow?" And the Lord will "Yes. You may fly down on that mission." And I think all your glorified kindred will come down, and they will no voice and see no arrival from the Heavenly world, you will see and hear. And the moment the fleshy bond of the soul shall break, the cry will be: "Fol-low me! Up this way! By this gilded cloud, past these stars, straight for home,

straight for glory, straight for God!"
As on that day in the Grecian archipelago, Patmos began to fade out of sight, I walked to the stern of the ship that I might keep my eye on the en-chantment as long as I could, and the voice that sounded out of Heaven to John the exile in the cavern on Patmos seemed sounding in the waters that dashed against the side of our ship, "Be hold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people and God himself shall be with them and be their God; and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall their be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

What the South Needed.

Two New Yorkers traveling South were waiting in the depot at Memphis, and talking about the needs of the South, and they had been at it threequarters of an hour, when a long-haired man in an old sombrero and an "overflowed" look in his face, stepped up and "Gentleman, you were talking about

the South?" "Yes, sir." "You were talking about her pros

pects, progress and needs?"
"We were, sir." "Well, now, I ain't so very well post ed on her prospects and progress, but if you want to know the great present needs of the South just invite me out to take a whisky straight!"-Wall

Wrestling with a Ladder.

Street News.

A man came out of the postoffice carrying a fifteen-foot ladder on his shoulder and attempted to cross Broadway. Two ladies, a vender of pencils, a policeman and two ordinary citizens were victimized before the wheel of a heavy truck struck the end of the lad-der. The man spun around for a mo-ment or two, and then settled down with the ladder across his back. The truckman and stage drivers shouted,

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nan: Navigation? Steamship Captain: Yes, indeed. Why, the other day I would have run right onto the Jersey cost, in a fog, if the wind hadn't brought me a whiff of New York sewer gas and shown me that I was off my course.—New York Weekly.

A Woman Trice It.

Husband (sick at home): Did you mail that letter I gave you?
Wife (back from a hurried shopping tour):
N-o, I forgot it until the last minute.
"It was very important."
"On, it's all right. I gave it to a little boy

who promised to give it to another little boy whose half uncle lives next door to a letter carrier."—New York Weekly.

Are not caught in a cistern, yet how many men are spending their time, cay after day, fishing in a rain barrel. The man who works, month in and mouth out, on a few acres of ground, trying to make it produce enough to support himself and family, when common sense and his past experience tell him it won't do it is one of them. The man who works, year after year, in a shop at \$30 a month, when his family expenses are \$32, is another. If your income is not large enough to keep you and your family or if you want. another. If your income is not large enough to keep you and your family, or if you want to save money and can't do it on your pres-ent salary, write B. F. Johnson & Co., Rich-mond, Va., and they will show you how to add \$40 or \$50 a month to it; or if you can give them all of your time, they will put you in a position to establish a paying business of your own where you can make from \$100 to \$500 per month to \$500 per month.

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Life's Many Troubles. Beggar: Please. sir, won't you give me a dollar to buy some medicine fer me sick wife."

Gentleman: Ses here! Only a day or two
ago you said that your wife was dead and
you needed money to bury her.
Beggar: Y-e-s. This is another one.

Knew H s Business, First Citizen: How did you happen to build a house way out there on the old swamp road?

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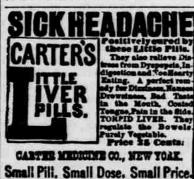
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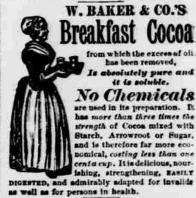
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